

# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

**Dear Supervisors:** 

**ADOPTED** 

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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SACHI A. HAMAI EXECUTIVE OFFICER

ADOPT, ADVERTISE, AND AWARD AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT PROJECT WHITEMAN AIRPORT SLURRY SEAL – RAMP CITY OF LOS ANGELES (SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 3) (3 VOTES)

#### **SUBJECT**

This action is to adopt the plans and specifications for the slurry sealing of an airport parking ramp on Whiteman Airport Slurry Seal – Ramp, in the City of Los Angeles; adopt the plans and specifications; call for bids; and authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to award, execute, and implement a construction contract with the apparent responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid.

#### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

- 1. Adopt the plans and specifications that are on file in the Construction Division of the Department of Public Works for Whiteman Airport Slurry Seal Ramp, airport improvement project, in the City of Los Angeles, at an estimated cost of \$485,000.
- 2. Instruct the Executive Officer of the Board of Supervisors to advertise for bids to be received and opened on June 28, 2011, in accordance with the Instruction Sheet for Publishing Legal Advertisement.
- 3. Authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to award, execute, and implement a construction contract with the apparent responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid within the estimated cost range, approve the Faithful Performance and Labor and Material Bonds and

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insurance submitted by the contractor, and deliver the project.

#### PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions is to adopt the plans and specifications; advertise for bids; and authorize the Director of Public Works (Director) or her designee to award, execute, and implement a construction contract with the apparent responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid for the slurry sealing of an airport parking ramp and the performance of other appurtenant work.

On February 15, 2011, Agenda Item 30, your Board approved the project, total project cost, and authorized the Director or her designee to apply for Federal assistance for an airport parking ramp slurry seal project at Whiteman Airport in the City of Los Angeles. The airport has a Board-approved master plan recommending this project be completed as part of an ongoing pavement maintenance program to preserve the airport infrastructure.

## **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Community and Municipal Services (Goal 3). The recommended actions will help meet these goals by extending the useful life of the airport parking ramp.

#### FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

On February 15, 2011, your Board approved the total project cost estimate of \$1,500,000 to complete the Whiteman Airport Slurry Seal – Ramp. The project budget includes \$485,000 for the construction contract, \$48,500 for change orders contingency, \$250,000 for construction inspection, \$125,000 for engineering design, \$75,000 materials testing, \$100,000 for survey, \$141,500 for consultant services, and \$275,000 for project administration. The anticipated Federal Aviation Administration Grant of \$1,425,000 will reimburse 95 percent of the total project cost. Funding of \$1,500,000 is included in the Recommended Fiscal Year 2011-12 Aviation Enterprise Fund Budget to fully fund the project.

#### FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

This project, to contract for the slurry sealing of an airport parking ramp at a County airport, is part of the Department of Public Works' (Public Works) ongoing program for the operation, maintenance, and repair of airports. This project will be advertised in accordance with Section 20125 of the State Public Contract Code.

This project is to be completed in 35 working days. It is estimated the work will start in October 2011 and be completed in December 2011.

Delegating to the Director or her designee the authority to award, execute, and implement this construction contract allows an expedited contracting process to obtain a contractor for the slurry sealing of an airport parking ramp and the performance of other appurtenant work.

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The contract agreement will be in the form previously reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel.

The award of the contract will not result in unauthorized disclosure of confidential information and will be in full compliance with Federal, State, and County regulations. The project specifications contain provisions requiring the contractor to comply with terms and conditions supporting your Board's ordinances, policies, and programs including, but not limited to: the County of Los Angeles' (County) Greater Avenues for Independence and General Relief Opportunities for Work Programs (GAIN and GROW), Board Policy No. 5.050; Contract Language to Assist in Placement of Displaced County Workers, Board Policy No. 5.110; Reporting of Improper Solicitations, Board Policy No. 5.060; Notice to Contract Employees of Newborn Abandonment Law (Safely Surrendered Baby Law), Board Policy No. 5.135; Contractor Employee Jury Service Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.203; Notice to Employees Regarding the Federal Earned Income Credit (Federal Income Tax Law, Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015); Contractor Responsibility and Debarment, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.202; the County's Child Support Compliance Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.200; the County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program Ordinance, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.206; and the standard Board directed clauses that provide for contract termination or renegotiation.

The State Public Contract Code requires the County to award construction contracts to a responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid, which is defined as the firm that: (1) submits the bid with the lowest cost; (2) is deemed by the County to be responsive to specific criteria under the solicitation including, but not limited to, licensure, bonding, and insurance requirements; and (3) is determined by the County to be a responsible bidder by exhibiting the capability, capacity, experience, trustworthiness, and financial wherewithal to perform the work required under the bid solicitation.

To ensure that the contract is awarded to a responsible contractor with a satisfactory history of performance, bidders are required to report violations of the False Claims Act, criminal convictions, civil litigation, defaulted contracts with the County, complaints filed with the Contractor's State License Board, labor law/payroll violations, and debarment actions. As provided for in Board Policy No. 5.140, the information reported by the contractor will be considered before making a recommendation to award.

The plans and specifications include the contractual provisions, methods, and material requirements necessary for this project and are on file with Public Works.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

On February 15, 2011, Agenda Item 30, your Board found this project categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.

### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

This project will be contracted on an open-competitive bid basis. A recommendation for award by the Director or her designee will be made upon review of the bids meeting the criteria established by your Board and the State Public Contract Code.

To increase contractor awareness of Public Works' program to contract work out to the private

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sector, this project will be listed on the County website for upcoming bids.

# **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

When the project is completed, it will have a positive impact by extending the useful life of the airport parking ramp at this airport.

## **CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Construction Division.

Respectfully submitted,

**GAIL FARBER** 

Director

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